# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CIVIL AVIATION
# LOK SABHA

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POACHING OF PILOTS AND TECHNICAL STAFF
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is aware that the private airlines are poaching the pilots and technical staff of the public sector airlines;

(b) if so, the number of pilots and technical staff left the public sector airlines during the last two years and the current year;

(c) whether the Government has chalked out any plan to check poaching of pilots and technical staff by the private airlines; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION( SHRI PRAFUL PATEL )

(a):- Yes, Sir.

(b):- During the last two years and the current year a total of 17 pilots and 32 technical staff left from Air India Limited including Air India Express, 7 pilots and 11 technical staff left from Indian Airlines Limited, 75 pilots and 43 technical staff left from Alliance Air and 10 pilots and 4 technical staff left Pawan Hans Helicopters Limited. This figure include those who opted for voluntary retirement also.

(c) and (d):- Meetings were held in the Ministry of Civil Aviation with a view to find out a solution to the poaching of pilots and airlines were asked to finalise a code of conduct among themselves to ensure that flights are not suddenly disrupted causing inconvenience to the passengers.